

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (previously presented): A solid aqueous gel comprising i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent, ii) at least one polyethylene glycol in which the number of moles of oxyethylene ranges from 12 to 180, and iii) at least one of (a) a fatty phase, and (b) a solvent other than water.

2-25. (cancelled)

26. (currently amended): A gel according to claim 1, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is chosen from polysaccharides, ~~protein derivatives~~, synthetic gels of polyesters, and semisynthetic gels of polyesters, polyacrylates, polymethacrylates, and derivatives thereof, and protein derivatives.

27. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 26, wherein the synthetic and semisynthetic gels of polyesters are sulfonic synthetic and semisynthetic gels of polyesters.

28. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 26, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is a polysaccharide chosen from:

- algal extracts,
- exudates of microorganisms,
- fruit extracts,
- gelling agents of animal origin,
- polysaccharides possessing a side chain and 6 neutral sugars,

and

- mixtures thereof.

29. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 28, wherein the algal extracts are chosen from agar, carragheenans, and alginates.

30. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 29, wherein the alginates are chosen from alginates of sodium and calcium.

31. (currently amended): A gel according to claim 28, wherein the exudates of microorganisms are chosen from xanthan gum ~~and its~~, xanthan gum derivatives and gellan gum.

32. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 28, wherein the fruit extracts are chosen from pectins.

33. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 28, wherein the gelling agents of animal origin are chosen from protein derivatives.

34. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 33, wherein the protein derivative gelling agents are chosen from caseinates and gelatin from cattle and fish.

35. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 28, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is chosen from gellan, carragheenans, and mixtures thereof.

36. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 30% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

37. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 36, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.2% to 10% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

38. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, wherein the at least one polyethylene glycol has a number of moles of oxyethylene of 12.

39. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, wherein the at least one polyethylene glycol is present in an amount ranging from 1 % to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

40. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 39, wherein the at least one polyethylene glycol is present in an amount ranging from 2% to 10% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

41. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, further comprising a pulverulent phase comprising at least one component chosen from pigments, nacreous substances, and fillers.

42. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 41, wherein the pigments are chosen from titanium, zirconium and cerium dioxides; zinc, iron and chromium oxides; nanotitaniums; ferric blue; carbon black; calcium salts of acidic dyes; barium salts of acidic dyes; aluminium salts of acidic dyes; zirconium salts of acidic dyes; pigments coated with silicone compounds; pigments coated with polymers; pigments coated with fluorinated compounds; and mixtures thereof.

43. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 42, wherein the salts of acidic dyes are chosen from the salts of halo-acid dyes, salts of azo dyes, and salts of anthraquinone dyes.

44. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 42, wherein the pigments coated with silicone compounds are chosen from pigments coated with polydimethylsiloxanes.

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45. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 42, wherein the pigments coated with polymers are chosen from pigments coated with polyethylenes.

46. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 41, wherein the pigments are present in an amount ranging from greater than 0% to 40% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

47. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 46, wherein the pigments are present in an amount ranging from 0.1 % to 30% by weight, relative to the total weight of gel.

48. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 47, wherein the pigments are present in an amount ranging from 1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

49. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 41, wherein the nacreous substances are chosen from natural nacre, mica covered with titanium oxide, mica covered with iron oxide, natural pigment, bismuth oxychloride, and colored titanium mica.

50. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 41, wherein the nacreous substances are present in an amount ranging from greater than 0% to 40% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

51. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 50, wherein the nacreous substances are present in an amount ranging from 0.1 % to 30% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

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52. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 51, wherein the nacreous substances are present in an amount ranging from 1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

53. (currently amended): A gel according to claim 41, wherein the fillers are chosen from talc, mica, silica, kaolin, ~~powders of Nylon powders~~, poly- β -alanine ~~powders, and polyethylene powders~~, Teflon, lauroyllysine, starch, boron nitride, bismuth oxychloride, tetrafluoroethylene polymer powders, polymethyl methacrylate powders, polyurethane powders, polystyrene powders, polyester powders, synthetic hollow microspheres, microsponges, silicone resin microbeads, ~~oxides of zinc oxides, and of titanium oxides, oxides of zirconium oxides, and of cerium oxides~~, precipitated calcium carbonate, magnesium carbonate, basic magnesium carbonate, hydroxyapatite, hollow silica microspheres, glass ~~microcapsules, and ceramic microcapsules~~, metallic soaps derived from organic carboxylic acids comprising from 8 to 22 carbon atoms, the compounds SiO₂/TiO₂/SiO₂, the compound TiO₂/CeO₂/SiO₂, and the compound TiO₂/ZnO/talc, and polyethylene terephthalate/polymethacrylate polymers in the form of flakes.

54. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 53, wherein the metallic soaps derived from organic carboxylic acids comprise from 12 to 18 carbon atoms.

55. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 53, wherein the metallic soaps derived from organic carboxylic acids are chosen from zinc stearate, magnesium stearate, lithium stearate, zinc laurate and magnesium myristate.

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56. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 41, wherein the fillers are present in an amount ranging from greater than 0% to 60% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

57. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 56, wherein the fillers are present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 40% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

58. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 57, wherein the fillers are present in an amount ranging from 1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

59. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, further comprising at least one salt.

60. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 59, wherein the at least one salt is chosen from calcium, magnesium and strontium nitrate; calcium and magnesium borate; calcium, sodium, magnesium, strontium, neodymium and manganese chloride; magnesium and calcium sulfate; and calcium and magnesium acetate.

61. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 60, wherein the at least one salt is magnesium chloride.

62. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 59, wherein the at least one salt is present in an amount ranging from 0.01% to 2% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

63. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 62, wherein the at least one salt is present in an amount ranging from 0.1 % to 1% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

64. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, further comprising a cosmetically or physiologically acceptable medium.

65. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, further comprising at least one water chosen from floral water, mineral water, and thermal water.

66. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 65, wherein the floral water is cornflower water.

67. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 65, wherein the at least one water is present in an amount ranging up to 98.9% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

68. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 67, wherein the at least one water is present in an amount ranging from 20% to 95% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

69. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, further comprising at least one water-soluble dye.

70. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 69, wherein the at least one water-soluble dye is chosen from Ponceau disodium salt, alizarin green disodium salt, quinoline yellow, amaranth trisodium salt, tartrazine disodium salt, rhodamine monosodium salt, fuchsin disodium salt and xanthophyll.

71. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, comprising at least one solvent chosen from ethanol, isopropanol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, dipropylene glycol, diethylene glycol, and glycol ethers.

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72. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 71, wherein the glycol ethers are chosen from (C₁-C₄) alkyl ethers of mono-, di-, and tripropylene glycol, and mono-, di-, and triethylene glycol.

73. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, comprising a fatty phase.

74. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 73, wherein the fatty phase comprises at least one oil.

75. (currently amended): A gel according to claim 74, wherein the at least one oil is chosen from liquid paraffin; vaseline; perhydrosqualene; apricot oil; wheatgerm oil; sweet almond oil; calophyllum oil; sesame oil; macadamia oil; grapeseed oil; colza oil; coprah oil; groundnut oil; palm oil; castor oil; avocado oil; jojoba oil; olive oil; and cereal germ oil; esters of fatty acids and polyol; alcohols; acetylglycerides; octanoates of alcohols and polyalcohols; decanoates of alcohols and polyalcohols; and ricinoleates of alcohols and polyalcohols; triglycerides of fatty acids; glycerides; fluorinated oils; and perfluorinated oils; synthetic oils; silicone oils; polymethylsiloxanes; polymethylphenylsiloxanes; polysiloxanes modified with fatty acids; polysiloxanes modified with fatty alcohols; or polysiloxanes modified with polyoxyalkylenes; fluorinated silicones; and perfluorinated oils.

76. (currently amended): A gel according to claim 73, wherein the fatty phase comprises at least one fatty substance chosen from silicone gums; microcrystalline waxes; paraffin; petrolatum; vaseline; ozokerite; montan wax; beeswax; lanolin; and its lanolin derivatives; candelilla wax; ouricury wax; carnauba wax; Japan wax; cocoa butter; cork fiber wax; sugarcane wax; hydrogenated oils which are solid at 25°C; ozokerites; fatty esters which are solid at 25°C; and glycerides which are solid at 25°C;

polyethylene waxes; the waxes obtained by Fischer-Tropsch synthesis; hydrogenated oils which are solid at 25°C; silicone waxes; and fluorinated waxes.

77. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 73, wherein the fatty phase is present in an amount ranging from greater than 0% to 30% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

78. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 77, wherein the fatty phase is present in an amount ranging from 0.1 % to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

79. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 78, wherein the fatty phase is present in an amount ranging from 0.5% to 10% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

80. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 73, further comprising at least one surfactant.

81. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 80, wherein the at least one surfactant is chosen from nonionic oil-in-water surfactants and cosurfactants, with a hydrophilic/lipophilic balance of at least 8.

82. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 80, wherein the at least one surfactant is present in an amount ranging from 0.05% to 8% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

83. (previously presented): A gel according to claim 1, further comprising at least one compound chosen from antioxidants, essential oils, preservatives, active lipophilic and hydrophilic pharmaceutical and cosmetic substances, moisturizers,

vitamins, essential fatty acids, sphingolipids, self-tanning compounds, sunscreens, and fragrances.

84. (currently amended): A solid composition with a continuous aqueous phase, comprising a solid aqueous gel comprising i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent and ii) at least one polyethylene glycol in which the number of moles of oxyethylene ranges from 12 to 180, and iii) at least one of (a) a fatty phase, and (b) a solvent other than water.

85. (currently amended): A makeup product for the skin or keratinous fibers, comprising a solid aqueous gel comprising i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent and ii) at least one polyethylene glycol in which the number of moles of oxyethylene ranges from 12 to 180, and iii) at least one of (a) a fatty phase, and (b) a solvent other than water.

86. (currently amended): A body makeup product, a foundation, an eyeshadow, a blusher, a concealer, a lipstick, a lipliner pencil, a mascara, an eyeliner pencil, or a stick for coloring, or a stick for making up locks of hair comprising a solid aqueous gel comprising i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent and ii) at least one polyethylene glycol in which the number of moles of oxyethylene ranges from 12 to 180, and iii) at least one of (a) a fatty phase, and (b) a solvent other than water.

87. (withdrawn): A method of making up the skin and/or keratinous fibers, comprising applying to the skin and/or keratinous fibers, a solid aqueous gel comprising i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent and ii) at least one polyethylene glycol in which the number of moles of oxyethylene ranges from 12 to 180.

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88. (withdrawn): A method of making up the skin and/or keratinous fibers, comprising applying to the skin and/or keratinous fibers, a makeup product for the skin or keratinous fibers, comprising a solid aqueous gel comprising i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent and ii) at least one polyethylene glycol in which the number of moles of oxyethylene ranges from 12 to 180.

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